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## HONGKONG VOLUNTEER CORPS.

Corps Orders by Lieut.-Col. A.  
Chapman, V.D.

JOINED.

Private H. B. Pereira joined the Corps  
on 10.3.16. He is allotted Corps No. 1280 and  
is posted to R. 1st Section M.G. Co.

PARADES.

Parades for Sunday, 12th instant.  
9.30 a.m. Musketry (Part 1) only at  
King's Park Range, as detailed in Corps  
Order No. 3 dated 6.3.16. One member of  
the Signalling Section will be required  
for telephone duty.

Parades for Monday, 13th instant.  
7.00 a.m. and 4.30 p.m. Members of  
Signalling Section and other Signallers, as  
detailed in Signalling Section Order dated  
8.12.15—Morse flag and Morse lamp  
practice at Headquarters.

PARADES FOR NEXT WEEK.

Thursday, 16th, 5.15 p.m.—Special drill  
for N.C.C. of South Company at Head-  
quarters.  
Friday, 17th, 5.15 p.m.—Scouts Co.  
parade outside Law Courts and proceed to  
Happy Valley by tram for Scout and  
Company drill (instead of as detailed in  
Corps Order No. 3 dated 10.3.16).

DETAILS.

Only duty until 17th—B.K.V.R.

## HONGKONG VOLUNTEER RESERVES.

Major Wakeman, Commanding H.K.V.R.

DETAILS.

On duty till the morning of Friday the  
17th inst.—A Co.  
Orderly Officer—Lieut. J. O. Hughes.

PARADES FOR THE WEEK ENDING 12th  
INSTANT.

Recruits on the Cricket Ground on  
Monday, the 13th inst. Wednesday, the  
15th inst. and Thursday the 16th inst. at  
5.15 p.m. under Drill Instructor, Sergt.  
Osberry. Dress: drill order.

Signalling Section at Volunteer  
Headquarters on Monday the 13th inst.  
Wednesday, the 15th inst. and Friday the  
17th inst. at 5.15 p.m. Uniform to be  
worn.

"B" Co. on the road outside the Law  
Courts on Tuesday the 14th inst. at 5.15  
p.m. Dress: drill order.

"A" Co. on the road outside the Law  
Courts on Friday the 17th inst. at 5.15  
p.m. Dress: drill order.

"D" Co. at Volunteer Headquarters on  
Wednesday the 15th inst. at 5.15 p.m.  
under Sergt. Major Co. for instruction  
in aiming for all members who have not  
fired Part 1 and 2 Musketry Course.  
Dress: drill order.

FIELD FIRING.

All members of "B" Co., excluding  
recruits who have not fired Part 1 and 2  
Musketry Course for recruits, but including  
all exempted members will parade on the  
Cricket Ground on Sunday the 19th inst.  
at 8.45 a.m. All Signallers will attend  
this parade.

## HONGKONG POLICE RESERVE.

POLICE RESERVE REPORTS

A Committee is to be formed for the  
purpose of organizing a Sports Meeting  
Members experienced in such matters are  
invited to send their names to this office.

HOUSTED POLICE.

All troopers will report in full to the  
Riding Master at the Stable at 4 p.m. on  
Monday, March 20th. Also at 5.30 p.m.  
each day (except Saturdays and Sundays)  
until further notice.

WALKING GUN RUN.

Will parade in uniform with Caps and  
coats at Central Station at 5.30 p.m. on  
Monday, Wednesday and Friday, March  
13th, 15th and 17th.

WALK.

Chief Inspectors D'Almeida and J. M.  
Wong are placed on the Staff.

TRAINWAYS.

Two men have been reported for  
travelling in uniform on transport  
otherwise than when on duty, on or  
coming off duty, and refusing to pay  
any fare. Any future report will be dealt  
with as an offence against the Company's  
By-laws and the Police Regulations.

PLAY OF THEATRE.

No. 1 Co. (No. 2 Platoon) will parade at  
Water Police Station on Tuesday, March  
14th, at 5.45 p.m.

MUSKETING, RANGING, AND F.

All P.C.s of Nos. 2 and 3 Companies who  
have fired Range A & B are provisionally  
ordered to attend the Range on Sunday,  
March 19th.

JOINED.

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L. A. Tobias.

No. 2 Co. (No. 4 Platoon)—M. Mah-  
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ORCHESTRA PRACTICE.

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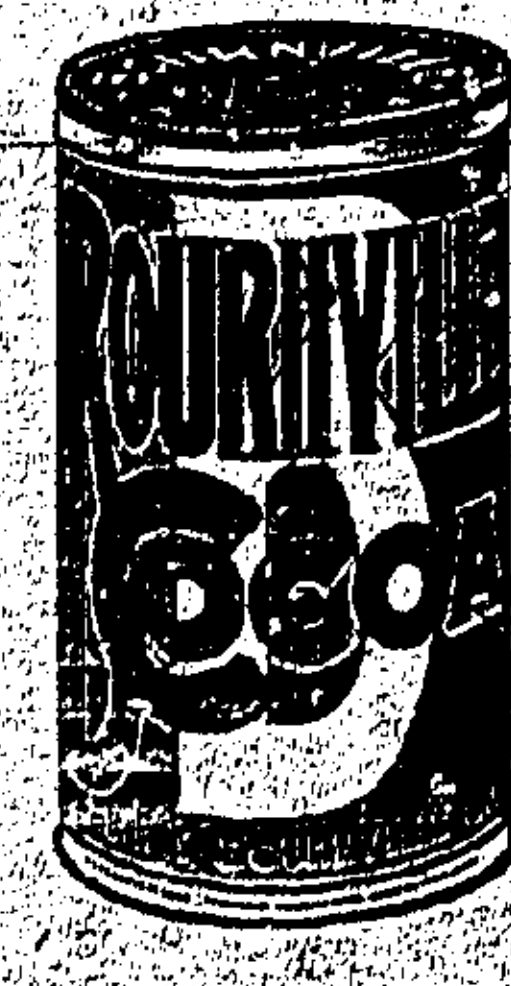
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The "Temps" recently published a  
long article, (by a neutral who had just  
come from Germany after a long stay  
there) on the subject of German mili-  
tary during the war.

Speaking of General Falkenhayn, who  
has been Chief of the General Staff since  
Marshal Moltke fell into disgrace after  
the battle of the Marne, he says:—  
"He is today the most powerful man  
in Germany. The power of General Fal-  
kenhayn comes from the extraordinary  
influence, inexplicable even to those who  
know this man, which he wields over  
the Emperor."

A German said to me: "Our  
Sovereign is hypnotized by this general,  
and is the victim of the physical ascend-  
ancy which the latter is able to exercise  
over him."

General Falkenhayn is very jealous  
of his authority, and keeps away from  
headquarters all whom he thinks might  
seek to gain the confidence of the  
Sovereign.

"This isolation of the Emperor is an  
important fact," as the Sovereign only  
learns what General Falkenhayn wishes  
him to know.

William II. to-day is a prisoner of  
his military camarilla. Various person-  
nel told me that for months past the Em-  
peror has been in a state of extreme  
nervousness.

"An officer who saw him at close  
quarters during a recent review on the  
Western front, told me he was terribly  
pale, adding: 'I should never have known  
him. His hair has become quite white,  
and his colour was so livid and so  
greenish on that day, that everybody  
remarked upon it.'"

"I cannot certify to the truth of the  
anecdotes which represent William as  
bursting into tears at the sight of a  
cemetery at the front; but I know that,  
if necessary, I could name persons who  
have refused to tell the Kaiser their fears  
regarding the situation, being afraid of  
bringing on a crisis of this sort."

"It has also lately become very diffi-  
cult to approach the Emperor, because  
General Falkenhayn extols in isolating at  
headquarters."

CROWN PRINCE NOT DEPOSED.

The Crown Prince, as is known, has  
lost all the popularity he had before the  
war, and also is very tired of the struggle  
and in his view the best thing to do would  
be to finish as soon as possible without  
satisfaction being given to either side.  
In conversation he is very severe on  
German diplomacy, and freely declares  
that the empire, however strong, is not  
able to fight alone against the universe."

—Reuter.

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Peel, is a member of Mr. Harry Day's revue  
company, "Keep to the Right," which has  
been playing at the Grand Theatre, Clapham  
Junction.

The secret leaked out through Miss Peel  
tendering her resignation, and naturally  
she was the recipient of a host of congrat-  
ulations. She was persuaded to withdraw  
her resignation, for the present at all  
events, the company refusing to part with  
her in such an abrupt manner.

The money was left to her by Lieut.  
Edward Ross Muloch, of the Gordon  
Highlanders, who fell in action at Neuve  
Chapelle. The young officer—he was only  
about 25 years of age—fell in love with the  
chorus girl some time ago, and made her  
the sole residuary legatee (subject to a life  
interest) under his will.

All the legal formalities of this document  
—a few lines scribbled in an Army pay-  
book—have been complied with, and  
probate has been granted.

Lieutenant Muloch was formerly a school-  
master at Stratham, but on the outbreak  
of war he joined the Artists' Rifles as a  
private, and was subsequently granted to  
a commission in the Gordon Highlanders.  
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grandfather was a man of considerable  
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**TALE OF HAUNTED KAISER.**  
GEN. FALKENHAYN HIS  
CAMARILLA

ENTER THE PRISONER OF HIS CAMARILLA.

The "Temps" recently published a  
long article, (by a neutral who had just  
come from Germany after a long stay  
there) on the subject of German mili-  
tary during the war.

Speaking of General Falkenhayn, who  
has been Chief of the General Staff since  
Marshal Moltke fell into disgrace after  
the battle of the Marne, he says:—  
"He is today the most powerful man  
in Germany. The power of General Fal-  
kenhayn comes from the extraordinary  
influence, inexplicable even to those who  
know this man, which he wields over  
the Emperor."

A German said to me: "Our  
Sovereign is hypnotized by this general,  
and is the victim of the physical ascend-  
ancy which the latter is able to exercise  
over him."

General Falkenhayn is very jealous  
of his authority, and keeps away from  
headquarters all whom he thinks might  
seek to gain the confidence of the  
Sovereign.

"This isolation of the Emperor is an  
important fact," as the Sovereign only  
learns what General Falkenhayn wishes  
him to know.

William II. to-day is a prisoner of  
his military camarilla. Various person-  
nel told me that for months past the Em-  
peror has been in a state of extreme  
nervousness.

"An officer who saw him at close  
quarters during a recent review on the  
Western front, told me he was terribly  
pale, adding: 'I should never have known  
him. His hair has become quite white,  
and his colour was so livid and so  
greenish on that day, that everybody  
remarked upon it.'"

"I cannot certify to the truth of the  
anecdotes which represent William as  
bursting into tears at the sight of a  
cemetery at the front; but I know that,  
if necessary, I could name persons who  
have refused to tell the Kaiser their fears  
regarding the situation, being afraid of  
bringing on a crisis of this sort."

"It has also lately become very diffi-  
cult to approach the Emperor, because  
General Falkenhayn extols in isolating at  
headquarters."

CROWN PRINCE NOT DEPOSED.

The Crown Prince, as is known, has  
lost all the popularity he had before the  
war, and also is very tired of the struggle  
and in his view the best thing to do would  
be to finish as soon as possible without  
satisfaction being given to either side.  
In conversation he is very severe on  
German diplomacy, and freely declares  
that the empire, however strong, is not  
able to fight alone against the universe."

—Reuter.

**"GRANDFATHER JOFFRE."**  
"AFTER THE VICTORY I SHALL  
DISAPPEAR."

Some time ago General Joffre received  
at his Headquarters a deputation of officers  
of the French Union of Railway Servants,  
which has not only maintained the vital  
service of transport at a high level of  
efficiency during the war, but has raised  
large funds for the relief of its own  
dependent families, and for general  
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The Motiv prints an account of this  
interview by a member of the deputation

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which contains one new and memorable  
phrase. General Joffre had said, as already  
reported, that the essential thing was that  
the civilians should hold out ("One les  
civiliens tiennent") and a member of the  
deputation had replied reassuringly, adding  
that Frenchmen no longer spoke of  
"General Joffre," but of "Our Joffe" or  
"Grandfather."

The General smiled, doubtless more  
moved than he cared to show, and remarked  
gravely: "I have only one object: the  
"liberation of the country, after which I  
shall disappear."

"You may disappear; but history will  
make your memory immortal," replied one  
of the railwaymen.

"I am doing my duty," said the warrior.  
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THE DIARY.

MEMO. FOR TO-DAY.

9.15 p.m.—"The Angel in the House"  
by H.K. A.D.C. at the Theatre Royal.

MEMO. FOR TO-MORROW.

9 a.m.—Excursion to Macao by S.S.  
"Taishan".

General Memoranda.

TUESDAY, March 14—

2.30 p.m.—Auction of Furniture,  
Crochery, Pianos etc., at Messrs.  
Hughes and Houghton.2.30 p.m.—Auction of Duplicates  
Writing Boards, etc., at Messrs.  
Hughes and Houghton.

WEDNESDAY, March 15—

2.30 p.m.—Auction of Household Furni-  
ture at Ridge House, Broadwood  
Road.

THURSDAY, March 16—

11 a.m.—Auction of Household Furni-  
ture at the Gale House, "Kingsclere,"  
Kennedy Road.

FRIDAY, March 17—

St. Patrick's Day.

THURSDAY, March 23—

11 a.m.—Auction of Mess Furniture,  
Billiard Table and Pianos at A.S.C.  
Barack, Queen's Road.

FRIDAY, March 24—

11 a.m.—Drawing of Hongkong Club  
Debentures.

MONDAY, March 27—

2.30 p.m.—Hongkong Club General  
Meeting.

TUESDAY, March 28—

11.30 a.m.—Hongkong Ice Co's Meeting.  
Room—H.K. Fire Insurance Co's  
Meeting.

WEDNESDAY, March 29—

11.30 a.m.—China Sugar Refining Co's  
Meeting.

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which the deductions were based. It is not quite a long time since the slightest suggestion has been heard of any tension between the United States and Japan. Germany to-day is a thoroughly discredited intriguer in the United States, and the statement of the Japanese Foreign Minister that the relations between Japan and the United States are to-day better than ever and grow more cordial every year confirms the general impression.

## NEWS OF THE DAY.

## LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The Hon. Treasurer of the Alice Memorial and Affiliated Hospitals begs to acknowledge with thanks a donation of \$3 from the Balliol Girls School, to the funds of the Hospitals.

It is currently reported that the S.S. "N.Y.", formerly in the Pacific Mail Company's service between Hongkong and San Francisco, has been sold to a Chinese syndicate for £70,000.

His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint Mr. E. W. Hamilton to act as Secretary to the Sanitary Board during the absence of Mr. C. F. W. Bowen-Rowlands or until further notice, with effect from the 8th instant.

A "Hongkong Police Reserve Parade March" composed by Pedro Xavier has been published, the proceeds being devoted to the Hongkong Police Reserve Band Fund. The composition is pleasing and the cover design, which is a pictorial representation of the Police Reserve on a march, is very attractive.

The third and final performance of "The Angel in the House" takes place to-night at 9.15 p.m. We are asked to state that there still is a number of good seats available. As already announced, Miss Phoebe May, having recovered from her indisposition, will make her first appearance at this performance.

The Shanghai A.D.C. is to play on the 20th and 22nd inst. "The Pursuit of Pamela." A Press announcement says: "A new and elaborate scenery reproducing, as nearly as possible, that of the original London production, has been specially prepared at the hands of Mr. R. T. Peyton Griffin, who has already earned for himself a reputation as a scenic artist in connection with the production of the Hongkong A.D.C."

The Special Police Reserve paraded at all strength last evening and went for a route march in the West Point district. The ambulance, machine gun and motorist sections, the mounted detachment and twelve platoons took part. Capt. Mc Messer, Superintendent of the Hongkong Police, Mr. F. C. Jenkin, Deputy Superintendent of the Special Police Reserve and Mr. P. J. Wodehouse, Deputy Superintendent of Police, accompanied the Reserve.

## SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Lieut. A. P. Storrie, who was formerly in the Middlesex Regiment at home, is now in the Cameroons.

Mr. W. Bullard, Manager of the Eastern Extension Telegraphs in Shanghai, returned to Shanghai from England at the close of last week.

Mr. John F. Duff, who had been in business at Kobe for many years, was recently found dead at his desk. He had been in a poor state of health for some time. It is stated that Mr. Duff leaves a considerable fortune.

Mr. Robert Davidson, of the Customs Statistical Department, who was on home leave, has been granted a commission as 2nd Lieutenant in the 9th Royal Scots, the "Dandy Ninth" as they are known in Edinburgh.

## WAR CHARITIES FUND COMMITTEE.

The following gentlemen have joined the above Committee:—Mr. F. B. L. Bowley, Mr. J. M. East, Mr. A. F. E. Silva-Netto, Mr. A. M. Bourne.

## THE YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK, LIMITED.

The Yokohama Specie Bank is in receipt of a telegram from the Head Office to the effect that at the half-yearly meeting of the shareholders held at the head office of the bank at Yokohama on the 10th inst., it was resolved to pay a dividend of 12 per cent. p.a. for the half-year ended the 31st December, 1915, and to the reserve fund Yen 400,000 and to carry forward the sum of Yen 1,236,000 to the next account.

## RUB IT IN.

A GOOD many people think rheumatism can not be cured without taking excessive medicine. Chamberlain's Pain Balm, however, thoroughly into the skin has cured far more rheumatism than any internal remedy in existence and gives relief quicker. For sale by all Chemists and Storekeepers.

## THE MAGISTRACY.

## UNLAWFUL POSSESSION.

For being in unlawful possession of a copper pipe valued at \$25, a Chinese was this morning fined \$25 or in default six weeks' imprisonment.

## ATTEMPTING TO BRIBE A CONSTABLE.

A Chinese who, told by an Indian constable that he would be summoned for obstruction offered a bribe of \$1.20 to be let off. The matter was reported and this morning the Chinese was fined \$8 for obstruction, \$25 for offering the bribe and the \$1.20 was forfeited.

## ALLEGED CHILD THEFT.

In Mr. Wood's Court this morning Inspector Brail related a story of how a widowed mother had her son, aged eight years, stolen from her. Some weeks ago, said the officer prosecuting, the widow came from the country, where her husband had died, and went to live at 13 Bridges Street. A Chinese lived on the same floor of the house, and it would be alleged against him that he took the boy from the street at 6 p.m. on the 8th inst. to the steamer "Sui Tung," which was due to leave for San Mei at 9 a.m. the following day. At 4 a.m. a Chinese constable observed a boy lying on the middle deck of the "Sui Tung" near the engine-room, covered with a mat and defendant was squatting beside him. The case was referred to the Secretary of Chinese affairs and instructions were given to prosecute.

The case was formally adjourned.

## ALLEGED ATTEMPT TO DEFAUD A BANK.

An interesting case of attempted fraud was brought to the notice of Mr. J. R. Wood at the Magistracy this morning when a Chinese coolie, earning \$2 a month, was charged with trying to secure by fraudulent means \$350 from the Hong Shing Bank, 35 Bonham Strand.

Mr. A. M. Preston defended.

Inspector McDonald said that about nine o'clock yesterday morning a man went into the Bank and placed a letter on the counter and went out again without saying a word. The letter was supposed to have come from the Bank's head office at Hong Kong and its contents were to the effect that a man named Chung Shui-Wai had deposited with the Bank there \$350 in twenty-cent pieces. About noon the same day the defendant, who represented himself to be Chung Shui-Wai, produced a receipt alleged to have been dropped by the Hongkong Bank and asked for the money in bank-notes.

The accountant signed the book and telephoned for the police and defendant was arrested. The chop was not the chop of the head office.

The case was remanded for a week, bail being allowed in the sum of \$1,000.

## MURDER AT WONG-NEI-CHONG CAI.

## STABBED BODY FOUND IN A STREAM.

Evidence of a foul murder were discovered yesterday in a stream above Bowen Road on the east side of the Wong-nei-chong road, by three planters. In the stream they saw the body of a dead Chinese and at once communicated with the Police. Sergt. Aris visited the spot and found that the man's throat had been cut and there were also five stab wounds in the body. Deceased had apparently been murdered and placed in the stream. In his clothing was found a metal watch and a key of a house in the Ming Lee boarding house, 110 Connaught Road Central.

The Police are conducting enquiries.

## SHANGHAI LAND INVESTMENT COMPANY, LIMITED.

The Report of the Directors for the year ending 31st December, 1915, states:—Working Account for 1915 has a credit balance of Tls. 460,314.02 as compared with Tls. 470,060.48 for 1914. Gross rents are increased by Tls. 23,365.88. Running expenses by Tls. 12,274.59, leaving a net increase of Tls. 11,091.29. Interest Account is again reduced by Tls. 20,898.72. The increase in running expenses is partly due to the increase in the Company's developed properties, but more particularly to the damage caused by burst water pipes during the exceptional spell of cold weather early in the year.

Reserve Fund remains at Tls. 1,623,004.72. Reserve Fund for Equalization of Dividends is increased to Tls. 200,000 by the addition of Tls. 80,000 passed to that account at the last Annual General Meeting. Improvements and Renewals Account has been credited with Tls. 53,372, being interest on undeposited land for last year and debited with Tls. 39,156.71, being the cost of various renewals and improvements carried out during the year.

Profit and Loss Account shows the net profits on sales of property, Tls. 277,470.48, and on debentures Tls. 4,016 as against Tls. 13,432 last year and on the debit side the transfers authorized at the last meeting. The balance of Tls. 562,518.38 the Directors recommend for appropriation as follows:—To pay a final dividend of 12% (making 12% for the year) Tls. 234,000.00 To pay a bonus of Tls. 1.1 per share (27% per share) 75,000.00 Transfer to Improvements Account and Renewals Account 53,372.00 Transfer to Equalization of Dividends Account 80,000.00 Carry forward to new account 44,846.38 Tls. 586,878.38

## LOCAL MONEY PROBLEMS.

## MR. J. M. XAVIER'S LECTURE.

There was a large attendance at the City Hall last night for Mr. J. M. Xavier's lecture on "Hong Kong's Currency Problems," under the auspices of the Hongkong Old Volume Society. The Hon. Mr. E. E. Pollock, K.C., presided.

Having dealt first with the way in which the subject had recently been ventilated in the Press, the lecturer traced the cause and origin of the currency anomaly. Shanghai, he said, might safely be pointed to as the place where it originated on account of its two-fold currency, namely Tael and Mexican dollar, and on account of its not having a standard currency of its own for sub-coins. The sub-coins in circulation and in use there came from other parts of China and were of such a heterogeneous description that no banks could, even if they would, under such circumstances, accept them as legal tender; while it is not an uncommon practice for the natives to receive or make payments for goods sold or bought in small pieces of silver, the value of which was determined by weight. Such a practice is not at all surprising because the Tael itself is nothing more nor less than a piece of silver of uniform or standard weight.

In the absence of small changes of Standard currency, and in view of the index of sub-coins from other parts of China, the Chinese, which that born Asiatic is characterized of their race, and which they possess in a remarkably higher degree than any other race, soon saw a way to enriching themselves by trafficking in the currency.

As the deplorable currency evil in Shanghai is the direct outcome of the unsettled state of its currency, there can be no reason why the money-changers should not thrive there because their business in that place is a legitimate one, based upon the principle of exchange of the currency of one country for that of the other.

But why should they flourish in this Colony whose currency is a Standard one? This is the crucial question. Upon this question, which upon any other the currency difficulty is based, no close examination of all the controversies on the currency question, it is found that this vital question from which arises a series of causes of the existence of the currency evil in this Colony, has not been understood; for the money-changers, contained in them is concerned purely with the evil as it is, and not with why it is.

To answer this question successfully three facts, therefore, must be borne in mind as they lead by successive steps to the remedy. The first fact is that the currency of the Colony is a Standard one, based upon the principle of exchange of the currency of one country for that of the other.

The second fact is that the money-changers, in this Colony, are not the only ones who are concerned with the currency evil. There are many others who are concerned with the currency evil, and who are not the money-changers. These are the people who are concerned with the currency evil, and who are not the money-changers.

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would be so if the disparity in currency exists as absorbed by the commission charged by the money-changers; so all the profit goes not to their own pockets but to those of the traders, but direct to those of the Money-changers.

As long as the public will part with bank-notes, etc., at a premium, the currency evil will remain as it is; but, in spite of the public's will or inclination, I am led into the belief that a remedy will be found which will do away with the currency evil, although the remedy may be a complex and complicated one. When this comes to pass the currency evil will be a thing of the past; while the Government can, with perfect impunity put into circulation the amount of sub-coins in circulation which has been erroneously thought to be overflowing the market, or it can substitute even nickel coins in their stead without running the slightest risk of a repetition of the currency evil. And I am more than convinced that the substitution of nickel coins for silver coins will be accepted as the standard currency without any demerit. (Applause.)

The Chairman expressed the grateful thanks of the present to Mr. Xavier for his lecture. There was no doubt that this was a very timely question indeed, and he was sure they would consider the arguments carefully when they saw them in print. He hoped that all those who were competent to discuss the subject and were able to discuss it in the newspapers would take the opportunity of doing so, because this was a subject which came very near to all of them, and was very important from the point of view of the finances of this Colony. As at the present time we were paying out large sums of money in trying to repair the evil. Especially in this time of war, there was every necessity for husbanding our resources and we ought to consider every possible remedy for the present state of affairs.

A vote of thanks to the lecturer was heartily passed.

## SMOKES FOR SOLDIERS.

## LETTERS OF APPRECIATION.

Among the very many acknowledgments received from the Firing Line, by the local organization for providing smokes for soldiers, letters of thanks and appreciation are to hand from the following:—

Lt. Col. Henry des Vaux, O.C. 15th Royal Fusiliers, B.E.F., France.

Tuesday, Jan. 18th, 1916.

DEAR Sir—I have to write and thank you and your Committee for the very handsome present of 10,000 cigarettes that you have been good enough to send my Battalion. We are just out of the trenches, where we had a very bad time through "Minerve" (mine warfare) and inclement weather, and your cigarettes arrived safely and were very much appreciated by the men.

Hongkong is always of great interest to me as I know so many people out there; and especially so as my father, the late Sir William des Vaux, was Governor of the Colony from 1897 to 1902, also my only brother, who was killed while in the Grenadier Guards in September, 1914, was born out there.

Again with very many thanks for your great kindness in sending the thoughtful present, which, as I have said before, the men greatly appreciated.

Lt. Col. S. S. Hayne, Commanding 2nd Northamptonshire Regiment.

DEAR Sir—I have much pleasure in acknowledging the receipt of 10,000 cigarettes from the subscribers to your fund to the men of the 2nd Northamptonshire Regiment. The cigarettes have been distributed to the men who are very grateful for your generous gift.

All make here join me in wishing you and the subscribers to your fund a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

Major S. King, 1st Battalion 7th Middlesex Regiment.

France, Jan. 15, 1916.

DEAR Sir—The Commanding Officer of this Battalion has asked me to thank you and your Committee exceedingly for the splendid present that has reached us from you. People in England have been very good to all ranks of the Battalion and men, also all over the world the Englishmen are doing the same. The lot contained 10,000 cigarettes.

Again thinking you very much indeed in the name of the whole Battalion, which gifts are very greatly appreciated.

## ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL.

Mr. Dennan Fuller is getting up a performance of oratorio which will take place in St. John's Cathedral on Good Friday at 9.15 p.m. The collection will be divided between the fund for Blind Soldiers and Sailors and the Cathedral Organ Fund. Mr. Dennan Fuller will be glad to hear from any willing to assist; proceeds will be held on Thursday, starting on March 22nd at 6.15 p.m. punctually. The principal work to be given is Mendelssohn's "Hear my prayer" and there will be selections from the "Last Judgment," "St. Paul" and the "Prodigal Son." The works chosen do not need a large choir so much as an efficient one, and it is hoped that those who are kind enough to help will make regular attendance at each of the five rehearsals a condition.

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## THE SHANGHAI SENSATION.

## SHELLS IN A GERMAN GARDEN.

## REMINISCENCE OF THE INDIAN ARMS CASE.

An interesting discovery was made on Saturday morning, the 4th inst., by the French Police, when, as the result, eight cases, each containing 15 shells, were found, in most suspicious circumstances. The fact that the property on which the munitions were found, is in the occupation of a German, whose name was prominently connected with an aim case tried before the Mixed Court in October last, adds considerably to the importance of the case, though the finding of big gun ammunition seems to be without precedent.

## REVIEWING THE CASE.

Situated on the French Siewwei Road, quite close to the creek bearing the same name, there stood, until a fortnight ago, a house in large grounds known as the "Otto Messner" garden. This address is 44 Siewwei Road, in the French Concession. Over a month ago there was an outbreak of fire at this house, which was occupied by Mr. A. Nielsen, with whom was residing an Austrian employee of the Shanghai Municipal Council. The fire destroyed the house, but nothing suspicious was noticed at the time. The company with whom the premises were insured asked the French Police to make inquiries into the fire, which they did, and as a result discovered the ammunition. In addition to inspecting the house a thorough examination of the grounds was made, in the course of which, one pond of a number, came in for some attention.

It was here that an officer, probing with a stick, found some hard substance submerged, and coolies, sent in to fetch it out, brought back with them a fair-sized iron bound box, which was eventually followed by seven others. Examination of the contents showed that each box contained twenty-five shells, brass cartridge and projectile of Hotchkiss manufacture and of 65 m.m. The projectile is solid, which indicates its use for anti-air purposes, and is similar, save that it is somewhat larger, to that fired into the Settlement during the seizure of the Chinese cruiser Chaoho.

Mr. Nielsen, who was present during the search and at the discovery, denied that he knew anything about the shells and expressed surprise that they should be found there.

There have been many suggestions as to the ultimate use of the shells which are clearly only suitable for armour piercing and the like, but the most significant is that the gun in which such ammunition could be used would be eminently suitable for armoured merchantmen. At all events it is unlikely that such shell would be where it was unless there was some hope of eventually using it in gun, which would be more or less accessible to the enemy. The ammunition, and the discovery, seem to point to some foundation in fact for the various rumours that have at times been circulated as to the existence of such weapons. At any rate further search is being made by the French Police.

## THE "INDIAN ARMS" CASE.

The name of Otto Messner occurred in connection with the case tried at the Mixed Court, in October last, when three Chinese were charged with unlawfully keeping for military purposes, 120 pistols and 20,430 rounds of ammunition. The pistols were of the following make: 38 Smith & Wesson, 14 Mauser, 13 Colt, 33 Brownie, 4 Harrington and Richardson, 1 Sleyer, 1 Scharschloss, 1 Express and 1 Savage.

One of the accused, who up a month previous to his arrest employed Messrs. Gerards, Bomer & Co. was also Mr. Nielsen, said that the latter asked him whether he knew anyone who would be willing to take a consignment of medicine or chemicals to a foreign country. He found someone who would do so, and he went to the China Paper Mill, where Nielsen lived, to take delivery of the cargo, which was given to them in 45 lbs. Subsequently the witness said that Mr. Nielsen gave him a paper on which was written the address of the place where the cargo was to have been conveyed.

## DELIVERING THE GOODS.

On further inquiry last yesterday it was learned that the ammunition was contained in two kinds. Six of the cases contained shells without fuses of any kind and the balance of two contained shells with fuses at the nose.

Yesterday the French authorities, who are prosecuting their investigations with great thoroughness, have been able to find the "Otto Messner" garden and emptied the pond in which the eight cases were found. Nothing further was discovered, but the same procedure will, we understand, be adopted in respect of the rest of the ponds, of which there are said to be three.

In the course of their investigations the French Police interrogated the chief gardener employed in the grounds. He lives off the premises and denied all knowledge of the existence of the shells. He stated, however, that many times he had seen Nielsen with the aid of Chinese boys entering and taking out of the house cases, but apart from that, he knew nothing of the matter.

The *Deutsche Zeitung* has been quoted as alleging that the fact that the shells are of French manufacture—Hotchkiss was an indication that the discovery of the arms was in the nature of a "plant" by the French. How slender a basis the suggestion has may be seen from the fact that according to the *Hong Kong* for 1915, H. M. Schultz & Co. are described as the agents for "Hotchkiss & Co., Paris, Machine Guns, Motor Cars." Messrs. Schultz & Co.'s list of agencies does not appear in the *Hong Kong* for this year of 1916. It is alleged that many times he had seen Nielsen with the aid of Chinese boys entering and taking out of the house cases, but apart from that, he knew nothing of the matter.

It is a significant fact that certain individuals connected with the case of December 6, took place in the vicinity of Nielsen's house, near where a large number of coolies were concentrated, and it is stated that ever since the French Police have maintained extra vigilance in this quarter. A suggestion has been made that Nielsen, rendered uneasy by a turn of events, which prevented the clandestine transference of the articles he had in his possession, endeavoured to get rid of his compromising possession by throwing them into the pond. *N.Y. O. Daily News*, March 6th.



## THE WAR.

## TO-DAY'S TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

SITUATION AT VERDUN  
UNCHANGED.

PARIS, Mar. 10.  
An official statement says the situation at Verdun is unchanged. The Germans have not attempted further infantry attacks.

Reciprocal bombardment has continued over the whole front. It is violent on both sides of the Meuse and intermittent at Woëvre.

French batteries have wrecked German trenches on Hill 425, eastward of Thun.

The French have re-bombarded German convoys at Angome.

SPLENDID SPIRIT OF THE  
FRENCH ARMY.

PARIS, Mar. 10.  
French Officers find it most difficult to restrain the men, who are anxious to attack. But there have been opportunities when the French infantry charged with irresistible fury. Such was the fight at Corbeaux Wood, where the German advance threatened to cut off the French who were holding Ois Hill.

The action began at noon on Wednesday. The French advanced in the open and very cleverly taking cover, their loss was insignificant, despite the German shelling. There was desperate close-quarter fighting inside the wood. The French were absolutely frenzied. Twenty volunteers at one point to charge a heavily machine gun which was concealed in a ditch. Leaping between the trees they reached and bayoneted the gunners.

The wood was cleared early in the afternoon, whereupon the Germans concentrated their artillery on the wood and their reserves made an onslaught at dusk.

The fight lasted all night and resulted in the French being masters of practically the whole wood. Significantly at the village of Vaux, when two companies, after brigade order, were attacking Germans, the French counter-attacked with the bayonet and expelled them after a most ferocious conflict.

## "FLAGRANT LYING."

GERMANS MULTIPLYING THEIR FALSEHOODS.

PARIS, Mar. 10.  
A communique describes the German boast of the capture of Vaux as "flagrant lying." It says that at the very hour the Berlin telegram appeared a French staff officer was entering Fort Vaux. He found it had not been attacked, but remained in French hands.

The communique points out that the Germans are multiplying falsehoods since the failure of their offensive.

## SERIOUS RIOTS AT COLOGNE.

AMSTERDAM, Mar. 10.  
The Telegram reports serious rioting at Cologne on March 7th in consequence of the German losses at Verdun. Travellers were prevented from leaving the trains at the station. It is reported that guns are posted in the streets to restrain the mob.

## THE NEW DEFENCES OF EGYPT.

LONDON, Mar. 10.  
Reuter's correspondent with the Mediterranean Expeditionary Force says the new defences of Egypt are practically complete. They are no longer based on the Canal but are firmly established far out in the desert. Even if the Turks overcome the difficulties of the cost of organizing an expedition, the latter is doomed to perish by battle and thirst, if they rashly tried to break the defences.

THE COMING RUSSIAN ADVANCE  
ON TREBIZOND.

PETROGRAD, Mar. 10.  
Rizeh, situated in a sheltered bay, will be the naval base for the coming Russian advance on Trebizond.

## GERMANY AND PORTUGAL.

## A STATE OF WAR.

LONDON, Mar. 11.  
A Berlin official announcement states that Germany considers herself in a state of war with Portugal.

## THE BRITISH ARMY.

FOUR MILLIONS EXCLUSIVE OF DOMINION TROOPS AND BRITISH IN INDIA.

LONDON, Mar. 11.  
The Army Estimates provide for a personnel of 4,000,000, exclusive of the Dominion troops and the British troops in India.

UNANIMOUS SUBMISSION OF  
PERSIAN TRIBES.

NEGOTIATIONS WITH GERMAN CONSPIRATORS FOR SURRENDER.

PETROGRAD, Mar. 10.  
The Germans are evacuating Ispah and the occupation of Kermanshah has resulted in unanimous submission of the Persian tribes. Negotiations for the surrender of the German conspirators is progressing.

LOSS OF A BRITISH DESTROYER  
AND TORPEDO-BOAT.

PARIS, Mar. 10.  
It is officially reported that the destroyer Coquette and Torpedo Boat 11 have been mined and sunk off the East Coast. The casualties are 4 officers and 41 men.

## DECREASE IN DRUNKENNESS.

LONDON, Mar. 11.

Mr. Lloyd George told a Temperance deputation that the drink restrictions had caused a decrease of 40 per cent. in drunkenness. He believed that the people before the end of the war would realise that the future of the Empire depended on the settlement of the Drink Question.

## THE SILVER MARKET.

LONDON, Mar. 10.  
Messrs. Montague & Co. report that the undertone of the Silver Market continues good. Prices are well maintained and supplies are not large, but demand has somewhat broadened, though the Indian Bazaars and China have made only moderate purchases.

Exchange on China is nearer parity than for some time. A decree making the Rupee legal tender in Egypt is interesting as a step towards the co-ordination of the local currency of the Empire. It also indicates another drain upon the stock of silver rupees.

The Director of the United States mint has estimated the world's production of silver during 1915 at nearly 102 millions sterling.

RESULT OF EAST HERTS  
BY-ELECTION.

LONDON, Mar. 10.  
The result of the East Herts by-election was:—  
Pemberton-Billing (Independent) ..... 4,590  
Capt. Brodie Henderson (Coalition) ..... 8,560  
The result is noteworthy because Mr. Billing was fighting for an improved air service. Captain Henderson is a Unionist, but had official Liberal support.

## ILLNESS OF SIR L. S. JAMESON.

LONDON, Mar. 11.  
Sir Leander Starr Jameson (of South Africa fame) has been operated on for kidney trouble. A second operation is necessary.

## OBITUARIES.

LONDON, Mar. 11.  
The deaths are announced of Captain Bond Shelton, a survivor of the Birkenhead disaster. Lord Ronald Leveson-Gower.

## EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

FURIOUS MASSED GERMAN  
ATTACKS FAIL.

FRENCH CONTINUE TO PROGRESS.

PARIS, March 10.  
Last night's communique says:—  
West of the Meuse, we continued to progress during the day in the wood of Corbeaux, almost all of which is now in our hands.

The Germans east of the Meuse made several attacks on our front from Douaumont to Vaux. One attack from the village of Douaumont was shattered by our fire.

Furious assaults against the village of Vaux were also repulsed with heavy loss. Finally the Germans launched violent massed attacks against our trenches bordering the bottom of the ridge on which stands Fort de Vaux. These were repulsed, our curtain of fire inflicting enormous losses.

The activity of opposing artillery was most violent on both banks of the Meuse.

There was an intermittent bombardment at Woëvre.

We captured a trench in upper Alsace after a grenade fight. Our artillery in Belgium and Champagne shelled the enemy positions.

MINOR FIGHTING ON BRITISH  
FRONT.

LONDON, March 9.  
A communique states:—Last night we repulsed a small attack near the Hohenollerer Redoubt. To-day the enemy sprang a mine near Givenchy, but there was no infantry attack. There has been considerable artillery activity on both sides about Ypres.

ITALIAN OPERATIONS HAMPERED  
BY BAD WEATHER.

AN AUSTRIAN ARTIFICE.

ROME, March 10.  
A communique says that the continuance of bad weather is hampering operations in the mountain zone. The enemy sought to turn the weather to account by firing high explosives, bringing down avalanches on the Italian positions, but these were not damaged.

The Italians succeeded in advancing their lines in the rugged Tofana country in the Isone zone.

## THE RUSSIAN FRONT.

GERMAN ATTEMPT TO CROSS  
DIVINA FALLS.

PETROGRAD, March 10.  
A communique records isolated offensive movements by both sides along the whole front from the Divina to Galits. An attempted crossing of the Divina east of Friedrichstadt by the Germans was repulsed.

The Russians at daylight stormed a trench near Olyk, bayoneting or capturing the defenders.

## THE MESOPOTAMIA CAMPAIGN.

LONDON, March 9.  
It is officially announced that Major General Aylmer, advancing on the right bank of the Tigris, attacked the Turkish position at Esnin, seven miles east of Kut-el-Amara, on the 8th inst. but was unable to dislodge the enemy. He states that the enemy suffered severely, and beyond strengthening his position, has shown no activity. Our casualties were not heavy, the majority of the cases being very slight.

## AN EGYPTIAN EXPEDITION.

NOT NOW TALKED OF AT  
CONSTANTINOPLE.

LONDON, March 10.  
A letter from Constantinople has been received at Athens stating that all talk of an Egyptian expedition has ceased since the fall of Erzerum.

## SITUATION IN SOMALILAND.

LONDON, March 9.  
In the House of Commons Mr. D. Steel-Maitland said the situation in Somaliland was extraordinarily favourable. There had been less trouble in the past 18 months than for many years. The tribes in the north, which largely cause trouble, are gradually deserting the Mullah, while the Abyssinian raids have temporarily incapacitated the southern tribes. The Mullah's inactivity is due partly to obesity and partly to the decrease in his followers and camel.

## OPERATIONS IN EAST AFRICA.

GENERAL SMUTS SEIZES CROSS-  
INGS OF LUMI RIVER.

LONDON, March 9.  
A communique states that in East Africa the troops under General Smuts advanced against the German forces in the Kilimanjaro area. General Smuts on the 7th seized the crossings of the Lumi River with insignificant losses. Several counter-attacks by the enemy were successfully repulsed.

GERMAN SEAPLANE BROUGHT  
DOWN.

PARIS, March 10.  
The French batteries at Dunkirk shelled a German seaplane. The pilot was killed. The observer, who was clinging to the floats, was saved by a French destroyer.

PORTUGAL AT WAR WITH  
GERMANY.

AMSTERDAM, Mar. 10.

The Portuguese Minister at Berlin has received his passports, and the German Minister at Lisbon has been ordered to ask for his passports.

PORTUGUESE NAVAL RESERVISTS  
CALLED OUT.

LISBON, March 10.  
A Decree calls out the Naval Reservists immediately.

## CRUISE OF THE GERMAN FLEET.

SCARES SHIPPING.

ROTTERDAM, March 9.  
Only three steamers have entered the waterway in forty-eight hours, apparently owing to the activity of German warships.

## BLOCKADE OF GERMANY.

LONDON, March 9.  
In the House of Commons Lord Robert Cecil, the Blockade Minister, said the question of extending the list of absolute contraband so as to include every commodity vitally necessary to our enemies was being considered.

FOUR GERMAN SUPPLY SHIPS  
SUNK.

LONDON, March 1.  
Four German steamers with coal and munitions have been sunk in the Black Sea.

## VALUE OF MARK DECREASING.

LONDON, March 10.  
The rate of the mark in the neutral exchanges is now 20 per cent. below normal value.

## TURKS CALLING UP MEN OF 50.

LONDON, March 9.  
The Turks are calling up men of 50 years of age.

## PERSIAN POLITICS.

TEHRAN, March 10.  
Prince Firman Firza has resigned, and the Russophile, Sipah Sarzam, succeeds him as Premier and Minister of the Interior.

## OBITUARY.

MR. FRED JANE.

LONDON, March 10.  
The death is announced of Mr. Fred T. Jane, naval author and journalist.

## SPORTING.

## SCHOOL FOOTBALL.

H.E. THE GOVERNOR PRESENTS  
TROPHIES AND MEDALS.

H. E. Sir Henry May, K.C.M.G., last evening on the Queen's College ground presented the School Football Association shield to the winners of the senior League, Queen's College, and the silver cup to St. Stephen's College, winners of the Junior Division, as well as the medals.

There were also present Lady May, Mr. Irving (Director of Education) Mr. E. Ralphs (Inspector of English Schools), Mr. T. K. Dealy, Headmaster of Queen's College, and most of the staff connected with the Schools.

An exhibition match was played between the winning teams of each division and Queen's College obtained the victory by three goals to nil. Two of the points were very lucky ones and to win by such a large margin really did not indicate the run of the play. St. Stephen's were quite as good as the senior team in mid-field but lacked tact in bringing their efforts to a successful ending. Queen's defence was powerful and did a great deal of hard work in breaking up the movements of the opposing forwards. The game was a very enjoyable one and showed conclusively the advance that is being made yearly by Chinese and Indian students towards becoming first-class footballers.

The presentation ceremony took place at the conclusion of the match, in front of the club-house.

Mr. J. Raftery, the Hon. Secretary of the League said it was the first time that the Governor had presented the trophies offered in the competition and he expressed hearty thanks to His Excellency for his attendance. The League was just 12 years old, having been inaugurated in 1904. The Shield, which was given to the senior champions, was subscribed for by the various schools competing. It had been won by Queen's College in 1907, 1908, and 1914 prior to this season. (Applause). In 1908 the then Governor (Sir Frederick Lugard) presented the silver cup for the junior league, for the purpose of creating greater life and zest among the smaller schools. The season just brought to a close had been very successful. In the Senior League Queen's College emerged winners unbeaten, but had drawn one game with St. Stephen's College and one with St. Joseph's College. Thus Queen's gained 14 points out of a possible 16. In the Junior League, St. Stephen's junior team was invincible. It finished in easy first with 15 points to its credit, having lost only one point in a draw with Wanchai Government District School, who was runner-up equal with St. Joseph's College. (Applause).

H. E. The Governor congratulated Queen's College on winning the shield. "I am very glad indeed," he added, "to see

that the school has taken such a leading part in football. I used to kick a football myself once, some 35 or 40 years ago, and was very fond of the game. I would you like boys, when you have the opportunity, to go and watch some of the best football teams in the Colony. You want to keep the ball a good deal nearer the ground, and not as much in the air. I know it is very difficult on this hard ground, but that is the particular art in the Association game which you ought to cultivate. You showed a great deal of speed and cleverness with your feet, but the next time I see you play I hope to see more dribbling, keeping the ball closer to the ground. If you cultivate the game scientifically you ought to do extremely well." (Applause.)

The Governor then presented the Shield to the Captain of Queen's, and the Cup to the Captain of St. Stephen's College. Hearty cheers were accorded the Governor and Lady May for their presence.

## ROYAL HONGKONG GOLF CLUB.

Play for the Captain's Cup on the 4th and 5th inst. at Fanling resulted as follows:—  
Capt. Campbell ..... 30 for 80  
Mr. F. M. Hodgson ..... 37 for 80  
Mr. J. de Souza ..... 36 for 80  
Mr. J. Dwyer ..... 34 for 80  
Dr. T. Lindsay Woods ..... 36 for 80  
Mr. G. A. Hastings ..... 37 for 80

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J. W. STEEL.  
Asst. Victualling Store Officer (i/c).  
Hongkong, March 11, 1916. 418

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C. W. RECKWITH,  
Commander, R.N.,  
Harbour Master, &c.  
Hongkong, March 11, 1916. 419

THE HONGKONG ROPE MANU-  
FACTURING COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE 32nd ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the above COMPANY will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICE, St. George's Building, Chater Road, Victoria, on SATURDAY, the 25th March, 1916, at 11.30 o'clock in the forenoon for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the General Managers for the year ending 31st December, 1915, and electing a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the COMPANY will be CLOSED on MONDAY, the 20th March to SATURDAY, the 25th March, 1916, both days inclusive.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.  
General Managers.  
Hongkong, March 11, 1916. 423

THE HONGKONG ROPE MANU-  
FACTURING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an Extraordinary General Meeting of the HONGKONG ROPE MANUFACTURING COMPANY, LIMITED will be held at St. George's Building, Chater Road, Victoria in the Colony of Hongkong on the Saturday the 25th day of March, 1916 at 11.45 o'clock in the forenoon, when the following Extraordinary Resolutions will be proposed:—

That the Articles of Association of the Company be altered in manner following:—  
(a) That after the word "Company" in the 16th line of Article 110 the following words shall be added:—  
"The General Managers may also with the consent of the Consulting Committee pay such bonus or bonuses to the General Managers 'shall think fit'."

(b) That the words "Bonus or Bonuses" shall be inserted immediately after the word "Dividend" in the 8th line of Article 110.

(c) That the words "and bonuses" shall be inserted immediately after the word "Dividend" in the first line of Article 111.

Should the above Resolutions be passed by the requisite majority, it will be submitted for confirmation as a Special Resolution to a further Extraordinary General Meeting which will be subsequently convened.

Dated this 11th day of March, 1916.  
SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.  
General Managers.

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